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The Boers have the greatest contempt for Great Britain and it is said only ask an opportunity to give England a good lesson in warfare. England will undoubtedly be many lives and pounds poorer when the Boers have been "civilized."

The Sunday Morning Review made its appearance at Las Vegas last week for the first time. It is a neat well printed sheet, a credit to the town in which it is published. John Stewart and Chas. F. McKay are the editors and, judging from the appearance and make-up of the initial number, it will be a first-class paper in every particular.

The Houston Post remarks that "a liberty loving people should not try to crush the desire for freedom in others. There is neither reason or consistency in such a course." We went to war with Spain in the cause of liberty—to free the Cubans and now the lives of the flower of American manhood are being sacrificed in an effort to deprive the Filipinos of their right to govern themselves.

There should be some measure adopted by the next legislature to prevent sheep owners from Texas driving to this valley when grass becomes scarce along the line of the T. & P. All sheep brought in should be assessed and taxed for the injustice of allowing sheep to come in from another state and deplete the range without assisting to run the country by payment of taxes is very apparent. Inspection fees in stead of being five cents should be twenty five.

Is Porto Rico a part of the "United States" as that term is used in the constitution? If so, then all persons born in Porto Rico since the cession of the island are citizens of the United States under the provisions of the 14th amendment. George F. Edmunds has held that all the people of Porto Rico, and the Philippines for that matter grown or ungrown, are citizens of the United States, since the United States claims their allegiance, and this implies citizenship, and if they are not citizens of the United States, they are political non-descripts of unknown status.

At a meeting of the committee appointed by the mayor of New York to arrange for the reception of Admiral Dewey the following resolution was introduced. "Resolved: That any attempt by any person or party, by contributions of money or otherwise, to establish a claim upon his gratitude or to secure his recognition, would restrict his freedom of action, and deserve the severest reprobation of the American people." It is an unkind reflection on the part of the New Yorkers to intimate that the admiral would accept any contribution of money that would restrict his freedom of action. Some New Yorkers think that money can bribe dignity itself.

These remarks from the Albuquerque Citizen express the sentiment of the CURRENT: "The Rough Riders edition of the Las Vegas Optic was indeed a very creditable issue. Besides containing a graphic account of the Las Gomas night, where the Rough Riders first distinguished themselves, and a very accurate account of the re-union for Saturday and Sunday. It also contained half-tones of Col. Theodore Roosevelt and other distinguished officers of that famous regiment, with short biographical sketches of each and every officer. On this occasion the Optic proved itself enterprising."

Says the Houston Post: "The Republican party, suggests an exchange, can not point to any real stand it has taken against trusts when it had the opportunity, or any pledge it has now standing to oppose them. On the other hand it has done the bidding of the trusts on all occasions, in spite of past pledges, and has repudiated every official that made an honest effort to suppress trusts. The democratic party has redeemed every pledge it made against trusts in the past and is firmly committed to their suppression by its national declaration of principles at the present time. That is the difference in outward standing of the parties on the trust question and inwardly nine-tenths of the democrats in the country are personally opposed to trusts, and nine-tenths of the republican party favors them."

The New Mexican said that if the reunion of rough riders had been held at El Paso or some other point close to where the troopers would not have had to take their blankets. The Times editor thereupon got a little hot, eyes to the Hanno McKinley politicians.

riability is to be pardoned in an editor who has to stay in El Paso in the summer. If the New Mexican wished to deny that city it would point out some things that are doing more harm to the place than the climate. Newspaper courtesy prevents reference to one of the worst influences, which might easily be made an aid instead of an impediment to the progressive element of the city. El Paso is a smart business town, but will grow larger and better when certain influences, which the New Mexican need not point out to the Times, are neutralized by the local press, instead of aided and abetted by a part of it.

According to the Standard Oil company's sworn statement in the hands of the attorney general of Ohio a barrel of refined oil costs that company

When Hayemeyer the sugar trust king said that the tariff was the cause of the multiplication of trusts he told an unpleasant truth and one which will cause the robber tariff party much uneasiness during the coming year.

The Territorial Treasurership.

Since the appointment of Leon Jefferson Reynolds as territorial treasurer there have been street rumors that he would decline to qualify. Some of the papers announced this as a fact. But there were counter rumors that Mr. Reynolds might adhere to his original intention. Pending a determination of the matter, the New Mexican made no statement, because it prefers to publish only facts. Last night Governor Otero received notice of the final decision of Mr. Reynolds. By the same mail which brought the notice to the governor

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Where You Going to Celebrate?

Why Not Come to Carlsbad?

Following is the Program of the Day.

10 a. m.: Speeches—Judge A. A. Freeman, Hon. G. A. Richardson and A. N. Pratt.
10:30: Horse Race—Roswell vs. Carlsbad
10:45: Cowboy Tournament.—Purse \$30. Entrance fee \$2.50. No less than 5 entries.
12 Noon: Barbecue.
1 p. m.: Horse Race—Purse \$50. Entrance fee 25¢. No less than 3 entries.
Pony Race—Purse \$25 and \$10. Entrance fee 25¢. No less than 3 entries.
2 p. m.: Bicycle Race—1/4 mile. Purse \$10.
Foot Race—100 yard dash. Prize value \$5.
Bicycle Race—5 miles. Purse \$15.
Sack Race—For boys under 16. Prize \$3.
Egg and Spoon Race—For boys under 14
Purse \$2.
Bicycle Trick Riding—For boys under 16.
Purse \$3.
2:30 p. m.: Tag of War—Horse Co. No. 1 vs. Horse Co. No. 2.
4 p. m.: Base Ball—Midland vs. Carlsbad.
7:30 p. m.: Fireworks.
Dances.

All Are Invited!

just 20 cents, or two-fifths of a cent a gallon. In that cost is included raw material, treatment and the expense of refining the oil. From this it would appear that some one is making an outrageous profit by charging the consumer 20 cents a gallon for an article which costs but two-fifths of a cent to manufacture. With each gallon the consumer pays for the manufacture of a barrel. The oil could be produced and delivered at two cents a gallon to any part of the United States and if sold at five cents a gallon would bring an immense profit.—Denver Post.

Exactly So.

Sam Jones, the blatant loud mouthed freak who is laboring to bring the pupit down to the level of the variety stage made the following statement at a rival meeting in progress at Hopkinsville, Ky., last week: "Bryan is nearly 40 years old and only pays 8% taxes. Now a fellow who can't manage his own affairs any better than that hasn't any business fooling with the finances of the nation."

Major Lang of Hopkinsville telegraphed inquiry to a county official in Lincoln, Neb., Mr. Bryan's home, and received reply that Mr. Bryan paid taxes to the amount of \$135 in '98 \$241.88 in '97 and \$222.77 in '96.

Now in view of Sam's seeming natural inclination to lie, we are just titled in saying:

"Sam Jones is nearly 40 years old and has not saved his own soul. Now a fellow who cannot manage his own salvation better than that, hasn't any business fooling with the salvation of others."—Greenville, Ill.

The war in the Philippines goes on and more lives are being sacrificed each day just to satisfy the Hanna McKinley politicians.

came a letter addressed to the New Mexican, under date of June 17, prompted by premature and incorrect statements of certain other papers. The letter reads as follows:

"Editor New Mexican: I have recently observed articles in the different newspapers in the territory with reference to my appointment to the office of treasurer and my failure to accept the same, none of which are authorized statements and many of them untrue.

"The facts are, that after the adjournment of the last legislature I desired this appointment, and the governor assured me that he would make it when I would signify my readiness to qualify.

"This I did on the 6th inst, on my return from the republic of Mexico, where I had been for several weeks previous.

"But upon arriving at Las Vegas and consulting with my business associates, I found that during my absence in Mexico circumstances had arisen which would render it impossible for me to accept this position without great pecuniary loss to myself; and that in justice to my own interests and those of my business associates, I could not take the office and give it the time and attention which its responsible character deserved, and which is the only reason for my declining the position.

I therupon notified the governor to that effect, at the same time expressing my deep regret in being unable to carry out his wishes in the matter, as well as my own. I am in hearty accord with the governor and his administration of affairs in the territory, and deeply regret the circumstances which prevent me from actively assisting him as one of his officers and appointees in continuing his efforts for the welfare of the territory. Very respectfully,

"JEFERSON REYNOLDS."

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